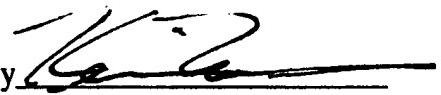


If the Examiner believes further communication would be helpful with regard to this amendment, he or she is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (312) 715-3487.

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